## The County of Centre PROCLAMATION

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## **NUMBER 18 OF 2021**

WHEREAS, emergency medical services are a vital public service; and

WHEREAS, the members of emergency medical services teams are ready to provide lifesaving care to those in need 24-hours a day, seven days a week; and

WHEREAS, access to quality emergency care dramatically improves the survival and recovery rate of those who experience sudden illness or injury; and

WHEREAS, emergency medical services have grown to fill a gap by providing important, out of hospital care, including preventative medicine, follow-up care, and access to telemedicine; and

WHEREAS, the emergency medical services system consists of first responders, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, emergency medical dispatchers, firefighters, police officers, administrators, pre-hospital nurses, emergency nurses, emergency physicians, trained members of the public, and other out of hospital medical care providers; and

WHEREAS, the members of emergency medical services teams, whether career or volunteer, engage in thousands of hours of specialized training and continuing education to enhance their lifesaving skills; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Centre County Board of Commissioners does hereby proclaim May 16-22, 2021 as "Emergency Medical Services Week" with the theme, THIS IS EMS: Caring for our Communities, and encourages the community to observe this week with appropriate programs, ceremonies and activities.

**ADOPTED** this 20<sup>th</sup> day of May 2021.

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ATTEST:

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